

DRAMATIC AND MUSICAL OFFERINGS

Marilyn Started Young
Marilyn Miller, like George M. Cohan, has been on the stage since four years of age. Like him, she was a member of a family appearing in vaudeville. Like him, she was tossed into a clothes' basket between appearances. When barely over sixteen she was featured in the "Ziegfeld Follies." Next she was elevated to co-star with Leon Errol in "Sally." Her first husband, Frank Carter, was killed in an automobile accident when he was moseying from Camden to New York. Six weeks ago, during her vacation, Marilyn was married in Los Angeles to Jack Pickford, a screen star. She denies she is to go into motion pictures, notwithstanding unauthorized reports, and says she prefers musical comedy.

Cook's Career Began on Farm
Joe Cook, styled "The One-Man Vaudeville Show," comes from Evansville, Ind., where he began his career in the big barn on his father's farm. Each year after the county fair had been held, Joe Cook and his brother put on a "side show" in the barn. A regular vaudeville company grew out of the little organization and shows were given regularly, the Cook Farm becoming known as Pleasure Park and before long the old barn was turned into a theater. Most prominent among the shows in the Cook barn, however, is Joe Cook, who has elaborated his act since last season and comes to Keith's Theatre here next week as a headline feature.

She's a Daly Product
Ruth Findlay, of "Pompey's Past," now playing at the Garrick, made her debut at Daly's Theatre in New York. Miss Findlay first stepped into the glare of the footlights when but a tiny little girl she played a part in "Baby Mine." That was in 1911. To this she also adds experience of managing a boy's pole, for she made a decided hit with William Farnham in "The Prince and the Pauper." Miss Findlay was in the cast of Miss Kummer's former successes, "A Successful Calmity," with William Gillette, and was also with John Drew in "The Cat Bird." She is a native of New York.

Doris Keane In "Czarina"
Doris Keane will be seen at the Broad Street Theatre for a limited engagement beginning Monday evening, October 9, in "The Czarina," a comedy from the Hungarian of Melchior Lengyel and Lajos Biró. Miss Keane appears as Catherine II, of Russia, "Catherine the Great," one of the most romantic and interesting figures in the history of the middle-eighteenth century. A wonderful display of statesmanship and a much-adored stateswoman, this Catherine of Russia was first and last a woman, her career presenting a series of intrigues of the heart of more or less transient caliber.

Hampden's New Repertoire
During his Philadelphia engagement at the Walnut, which will start October 23, Walter Hampden will be seen in a revival of "A New Way to Play Old Idols," Philip Massinger's comedy of the late Elizabethan period. This play was last presented in New York in 1874, with Mr. Hampden and Mr. Thomas as new favorite comedy "The Black Flag," together with "Verdeillo," "Minette," "Merchant" and "Ham-

"Demi-Virgin" for Adelphi
With a cast heralded by Hazel Dawn, "The Demi-Virgin" will open its Philadelphian engagement at the Adelphi Theatre on Monday, October 9. This play by Avery Hopwood is in three acts and is described as a farcical romance, satire of movie life in Southern California. In addition to Miss Dawn, the company includes Ruthie Douglas, Glenn Anders, Anne H. Quinn, Bodily Watson, Peggy Conaway, Helen Eagles, Betty Barnes, Charles Marten, June Bradford, Colleen Moore, Remy Hadley, May Robson, Adele LeBoeuf, Victoria Wilson and others.

New Satire at Dumont's
A new program of entertainment will be offered at Dumont's next week. In the first part there will be new songs and jokes and Emmett Welsh will render at least two new ballads. There will also be a new satire in which almost every member of the original cast will participate. It is a new Farce Revue, which is primarily intended for laughing surprises, but has a display of gowns as well. Among the newcomers will be Pope and Fing, the latter an almost human dog. Then there will be Bartoli, the piano accompanist.

Hurtig Show at Casino
Joe Hurtig's "Giggleland" Variety Revue" comes to the Casino next week beginning Monday matinee. Sam Morris wrote the book, which is in two acts and eight scenes, entitled "Sigid and LaLa." Each act is composed of a short sketch, comic opera, burlesque, dancing, singing and musical comedy loosely thrown together on a very thin plot. Nevertheless, it was received with very little enthusiasm by the audience and the singers and dancers were frequently released. It would have been a good thing if some of the more popular parts of these revues had been given us to begin a demonstration of what the effects of last evening.

Theatrical News
The new comic opera by Valente, entitled "A Night of Love," which had its first presentation in this city last evening at the Academy of Music by the Russian Opera Company, is a remarkable combination of drama, comic opera, burlesque, dancing, singing and musical comedy loosely thrown together on a very thin plot. Nevertheless, it was received with very little enthusiasm by the audience and the singers and dancers were frequently released. It would have been a good thing if some of the more popular parts of these revues had been given us to begin a demonstration of what the effects of last evening.

Isadora Duncan for One Night

Isadora Duncan, one of the best known exponents of expressionistic art, will appear for one evening performance at the Academy of Music Tuesday evening, October 17. Miss Duncan is bringing to this country two Russian girls, pupils of the Moscow Ballet School.

Change in Theatre Bookings

A last minute change in bookings will bring Raymond Hitchcock in his latest "Hitch-Koo" revue to the Bijou Theatre next week. Little Jackie Fields is with this big company. Jackie is well known as a young and dashing artist. Others in the cast are Lenore Verna, Maxine, Dorothy, Alice Fountain, prima donna, Edna Gandy, and Harry Brooks. The production is one of scenic excellence, but the costumes are a feature.

DREAMY WALTZ COMING BACK, RUSSIAN EXPERT PREDICTS

Arthur Kretlow Asserts Ballroom Styles Change Just as Do Those for Gowns or Hats

The dreamy, old-fashioned waltz, ballroom, and the grace of the dances which was played on the antiquated horn-phonograph is coming back into its own, according to Arthur Kretlow, the ballet master of the Russian Opera Company.

"Do I think the waltz and two-step will find favor again? Most certainly, yes. And after all, what is the fox-trot but a waltz and a two-step. You will notice that the music is being played faster for fox-trotting, but it was slow dance like this," and the dancing master allowed down the floor holding an imaginary partner in his arms, "and now" changing his time and quickening his step, "it is this sort of step which finds favor, the quickstep style. It is simply the evolution of all things which shows in dancing as well as in the styles you women wear."

"Graceful when done correctly and an interesting step, too. But the waltz, oh, could anything be more graceful than that? We have a scene in a French

STARS APPEARING ON LOCAL SCREENS NEXT WEEK



The Daily Movie Magazine

THE MOVIE FAN'S LETTERBOX

By HENRY M. NEELY

Diguite writes: "How can any sympathetic person regard 'Blood and Sand' with any pleasure, knowing as we now know, of Valentino's sufferings in the making?—sitting on a barrel to make up; resting from his emotional scenes on a concrete floor; changing costumes without even sheltering limousine!

"But seriously, why not realize the futility of judging or dealing with the Latin temperament? Anglo-Saxon terms? You may take it to extremes, or scorn it with derision, but there it remains, with all its weaknesses and glories. Valentino's present attitude is as characteristic as his glowing eyes and gleaming teeth—or his acting. At any rate, it seems to get the lady interviewers—they feel the urge to 'stroke his hair,' etc., etc. Me, I can't imagine any audience less tempting to stroke, can you?"

"Hooyay for you on Theodore Roberts and his personality, but I'm afraid you won't agree when I find George Fawcett exaggeratedly theatrical in makeup, though he does get things over, same for Raymond Hatton.

"But I like Lucien Littlefield. He does it with his brain, rather than with grace. Can't look forward to 'The Old Homestead,' though James Cruze is usually interesting."

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FOR THE FILM FAN'S SCRAPBOOK



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(Fooled you, didn't I? But, outside of saying nice things about me, your letter was otherwise so wise that I thought the fans would like to read it.)

NEW 'HONEYMOON EXPRESS' IS READY FOR BUSINESS

City Hall Elevator Will Carry Twelve Couples

The "Honeymoon Express" is ready for business.

Although the carrier, officially known as Elevator No. 5 and located in the northeast corner of City Hall, is not the one that for many years carried prospective brides and bridegrooms to the Marriage License Bureau on the fourth floor, the institution stands.

The new "Honeymoon Express" finished its career several weeks ago after years of usefulness as a conveyer of applicants. The Bureau of Elevator Inspection condemned the elevator with an attitude of "well done, thou good and faithful servant," after deciding in favor of a more modern carrier.

The new elevator will carry twelve couples besides the operator, and will have a speed of 600 feet per minute, which is expected to increase the possibility of either one of the parties having a change of heart before the License Bureau is reached. It will be placed in service next week.

"AT LAST I HAVE SUCCEDED!"
The last of writing for the "Movie Fan's Scrapbook" is out and the number will be quite interesting.

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"One picture that I liked a lot and went to see three times was 'A Chorus Girl's Romance' with Viola Dana. I thought the story was very good and the characters well selected. But that's a very old one, and I may be all wrong, because I have seen many a good story ruined by poor acting.

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